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The reply filed on 6/25/09 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Claims 384, 385, 393, 394, 402, 403, 408, 409, 414, 415421 and 422 contains designations of the positions of the amino acid residues that corresponds to SEQ ID NO: 21. Each of these designated positions that corresponds to SEQ ID NO: 21 corresponds to individual peptide sequences. Each of these sequences need to be separately identified by a independent SEQ ID NO. See MPEP Section 2421 that clearly states that "[T]he sequence rules embrace all unbranched nucleotide sequences with ten or more bases and all un-branched, non-D amino acid sequences with four or more amino acids, provided that there are at least 4 "specifically defined" nucleotides or amino acids. The rules apply to all sequences in a given application, whether claimed or not. All such sequences are relevant for the purposes of building a comprehensive database and properly assessing prior art. It is therefore essential that all sequences, whether only disclosed or also claimed, be included in the database. See 37 CFR 1.111." Hence, SEQ ID NOs., are required for all the peptide sequences that are recited in the aforementioned claims as per the "Sequence compliance rules". Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Satyanarayana R. Gudibande whose telephone number is 571-272-8146. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8-4.30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cecilia Tsang can be reached on 571-272-0562. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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